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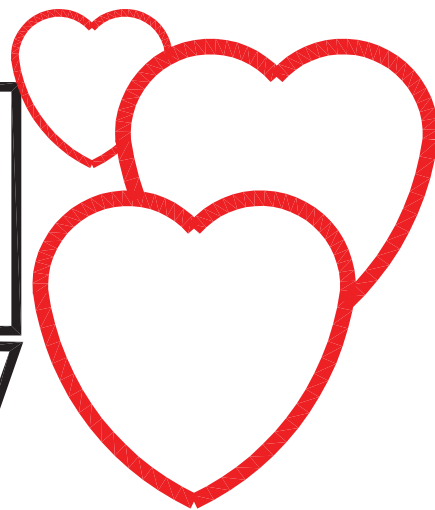
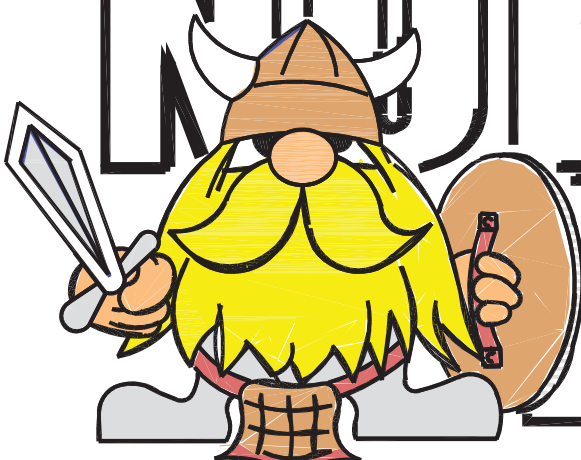
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North Bay Corvette Association (NBCA)

Meets on the second Wednesday of each month

At 7 pm.

Currently held on ZOOM

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Secretary Report

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FEBRUARY EVENTS

FEB 02

WADE M BIRTHDAY

FEB 05

KEVIN M BIRTHDAY

FEB 10

**PRE-MEETING GATHERING
6:30PM - ZOOM**

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING 7 PM - ZOOM**

FEB 19

LES B BIRTHDAY

FEB 23

LIZ B BIRTHDAY

FEB 24

**BOB D BIRTHDAY
E-BOARD MEETING
7 PM - ZOOM**

FEB 27

KARYN K BIRTHDAY

FEB 27

**NBCA FEBRUARY
SOCIAL EVENT**



MARCH

MAR 04

JENNIFER M. BIRTHDAY

MAR 10

JUDY S. BIRTHDAY

MAR 10

**NBCA PRE - MEETING
GATHERING ZOOM - 6:30 PM**

**NBCA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING - 7:00 PM**

MAR 16

BILL D. BIRTHDAY

MAR 20

MARYANNE M. BIRTHDAY

MAR 21

SHIRLIE H. BIRTHDAY

MAR 24

**EXECUTIVE BOARD
MEETING 7 PM**

**NBCA
EVENTS**

North Bay Corvette Association

General Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2021

President: Jeff Farber called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm, and asked for officer's reports.

Membership Director: Barbara Boyer reported:

John and Susanne Femenia paid their dues late. Barbara will call Pedro and Carol to check to see if they will renew their membership.

Barbara sent a welcome packet to Robert Aune who has a 1967 convertible. She has not received anything back from him so will follow up later.

Barbara sent the new membership roster to Heather, but will send her an update.

Barbara will contact Scott Silveira to see if he is interested in joining the club. He owns the Sonoma Chevrolet dealership and has a Corvette.

Secretary: Don Drummond was not able to attend. Steve Boyer moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting which were published in last month's newsletter. Jane Rittler seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Treasurer: Steve Boyer reported:

Checks Written This Month:

1. A check was written to WSCC for membership dues.
2. There was also one returned check fee.

Deposits Made This Month: There were 16 membership dues checks deposited last month from members paying their dues . There were four checks from newsletter advertisers.

We have a good balance in our checking account.

Steve will file required reports to the State and IRS in the near future.

Director of Publications: Heather Torres reported that the deadline for the next newsletter is Monday, January 25th.

Webmaster: Stephen Buttrick was not able to be present. Jeff asked Heather if she could get him to post some new pictures on the website. She said she would if you send the pictures to her. She also said that he had to update the website with "Go-Daddy" to make it work.

Public Relations Director: Bill Donnelly was not able to be present.

Social Director: Betty McKinnie and Steve Jackson reported:

Our next Social Event will be a drive out to Napa on Saturday, January 23rd, Kevin will lead us.

Sunshine Report: Lynn Larson was unable to be present but she did send a get-well card to Ken. He is recovering from minor surgery. Dan said that Ken and Marci have gotten the debris removed from their burned house and garage. They are working with an architect and a contractor to get approval for a rebuild after the wild fire destroyed their place.

Vice President: Dan Divita had nothing to report, but thanked everybody that showed up at Silveira Chevrolet to celebrate his getting his brand new C8 Stingray.

President: Jeff Farber reported: The WSCC non-convention was moved to 2022. We still would like to coordinate the event. There will be another Caravan to the National Corvette Museum in 2024. Jeff would like to have a memorial page for Neil Andersen designed for NBCA's website. He said he would work with Dan to make it happen.

Jeff also said that he would be talking to the E-board about what to do about the rent at Margaret Todd Center.

He will be following up with Thunderhill Raceway concerning autocross dates for this year. June is out of the mix, but dates in September and October are not solid yet.

Old Business: There was no Old Business.

New Business: There was no New Business.

Announcements:

Our next meeting will be via Zoom, Wednesday, February 10th, at 7:00 pm.

Steve Boyer moved to adjourn the meeting. Jane Rittler seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

For Don Drummond, Secretary

By Steve Boyer, Treasurer

President's message –Vaccines are here - Things are Looking up!

Is it still premature to speak of a return to a normal life? We have each been waiting for this THING to end and I am thinking I can see the end of the tunnel. Whether the actual end of the tunnel is getting closer is still unknown. But for me, one of my personal car events just announced that it will run in May. It is the Open Road Challenge, part of the Silver State Classic series, and an event I was going to run in last year. Check it out by searching for Silver State Classic on your computer. This event is run on a remote “closed” highway in Nevada – the closest town is Ely. The first year you compete, you start in the slowest division and my class is the 100mph average speed class. I can’t go slower than 80 nor faster than 120.

You might recall last year, I placed a harness bar in my C7 and got a 4-point seat belt harness for speed events, so the car is ready. There are other WSCC friends that have run in this event for a few years. It would be great to see an increased presence of Corvettes at this event, as our “other” car events have dwindled. Any of your interested in joining me run the Open Road this year?

As usual, it takes us almost the full month of December and half of January to get our roster updated following annual membership renewal. Barbara Boyer has done a stellar job of communicating with our members and updating our list. There has been a few Corvette owners expressing an interest in our club, and Barbara is doing her Membership Director thing to see if they find us attractive.

Last week we had a GREAT event. It was a surprise trip to Silviera Chevrolet in Sonoma on the day our esteemed friend Dan D picked up his new C8. (See pictures elsewhere in the newsletter.) He was so sly to keep his color choice to himself. He picked a White Car, with Red and Black seats – a very sporty looking color combination. Eleven of our member cars surprised Dan at the dealership so we could congratulate him on his new expenditure and we took photos of his car in front of our cars. Scott Silviera was very accommodating by divulging Dan’s car arrival, and we found out, Scott has a Corvette too. We hope Scott will join us for a car trip and perhaps, just perhaps, Scott will join our club.

William D also has a C8 on order from Silviera and I know William would like enjoy some club activity on his delivery day. Keep an eye on your email for news of his car’s arrival and any plans we are able to make (sorry William – we can’t pull off a surprise for you!)

Well, here it is late January and I’m ahead of my usual January schedule of to-dos. I have only a few items of Christmas left to put on the garage shelf. Sometimes our outdoor Christmas decorations sit in a waiting to be put away mode until March. I am looking at the various Hooked on Driving track events to decide how many and which ones I want to do. I hope to drive Sonoma Raceway a few times this year, and participate in the April Thunderhill Hooked-On-Corvettes event. My car should get to go fast a few times this year – how exciting it will be for the car.

Save in your memory these Fun-Fun-Fun activities, with not yet scheduled dates:

In 2022 – the WSCC gathering hosted by NBCA

In 2024 – the Caravan to the National Corvette Museum

Please be sure to patronize our sponsors listed later in this newsletter – See ya all soon!

North Bay Corvette Association

Treasurer's Report

January 13, 2021

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Uncleared Transactions: There are four uncleared transactions: The check to WSCC, and three deposits: one check for dues and two checks for advertiser fees.



I met Barbara in April, 2012, and we married in June, 2013. She just happened to have a pewter 1999 Coupe.

On our first real date, trying to impress her, I took her to Chalet Basque in San Rafael for a fancy dinner, including escargot. So, the first time I had dinner at her house, trying to impress me, she prepared escargot for me. Six years later she admitted that the dinner included: escargot for \$4.29 a can, sparkling Pinot Gregio wine for \$4.99 a bottle, and a sourdough baguette, the most expensive item on the menu, was for \$5.25. I was a cheap date and she hooked me; she knew how to cook!



Escargots Snails

Serves 2

From: Roland Escargots Snails can

Ingredients:

1 7.75 oz. can of Roland
escargots snails
6 tbsp. butter
1 clove garlic, finely chopped
1 tsp. shallots, finely chopped

¼ cup grated Parmesan
cheese
1 tsp. parsley, finely chopped
Salt and Pepper to taste
Sour dough baguette

Preparation:

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees.
2. Drain snails and set aside.
3. Blend butter, garlic, shallots and parsley in a small pan on low heat. Add a dash of salt and pepper to taste.
4. Place a bit of the butter sauce in each slot of two white porcelain escargot-dishes. Then place a snail in each slot and cover with the rest of the butter sauce.
5. Place the porcelain escargot dishes on a baking sheet and place in oven. Bake until butter is bubbling and browned on the edges, about 20 minutes.
6. Remove from the oven and sprinkle with grated Parmesan cheese. Serve hot with sour dough baguette.

I prefer about 6 cloves garlic in my sauce and red onion can be substituted if you do not have shallots on hand. Dried parsley works if you do not have any fresh on hand.



Membership Report:

As of January 22, NBCA has 40 active members. I was able to contact all the members who had not renewed by the end of the year. Only three did not renew.

On our social drive on January 23, I talked to C J Grear, who owns a C4 at one of our stops. He is interested in joining so I have sent him NBCA's information and application forms.

Steve Jackson, Jeff Farber and Steve and I stopped at Novato Chevrolet to look at the C8 they had in their showroom. As we were leaving, we saw a Velocity Blue C8 sitting in the service bay. We stopped to look at it and the owner came out about that time. We talked to him about his car. He traded his red C7 convertible in for the C8 and loves it. His name is Petr Zavesky and he is also interested in joining NBCA. I have sent him the congratulation letter on buying a new corvette, the application forms and the January newsletter.

VICE PRESIDENT - Dan Divita

Well, I'm sure that for most of us, January under pandemic conditions was pretty uneventful. It was for me too, until a very special event occurred on the 13th.

As most of you know, I have had a 2020 C8 Corvette on order since December 17, 2019. Due to various reasons, the car was delayed so long that the 2020 version was replaced by Chevrolet to be a 2021 model. Since the demand had been so great for the new model, I wasn't expecting to receive mine until April or May of this year.

Happily, I was advised by my dealer (club sponsor Silveira Chevrolet in Sonoma) that my car would be made the week of December 14. I called the Corvette customer service number the following week, and to my surprise, the car had already been shipped. Due to the impending annual two-week holiday factory shut down, and the added two-week quality control hold, they had decided to ship it immediately after production. Since it was being trucked to the railhead in Topeka, Kansas, and then put on a train out west to a distribution center and again trucked to the dealer, I knew it would take 2 – 3 weeks to get here.

I contacted the dealer via phone message to follow up on the latest status on the 12th of January, and they called me back and told me that it had just rolled off the truck. They would need some time to prepare it, so I told them I would pick it up the next day. A friend drove me to Sonoma and dropped me off. I did the required endless paperwork, and when I came out to the car, there were several people standing there, all wearing masks as appropriate. Due to the masks, I didn't realize that they were NBCA club members until I recognized Steve Jackson's voice. What a shock! It was more than a surprise.

I was greeted by applause and cheers as I approached my car for the first time. Somehow, without my knowing it, President Jeff Farber had been in contact with the owner of the dealership, and had arranged the whole surprise. About a dozen cars had caravanned to the dealership. This was an awesome time in our otherwise boring pandemic life.

Thank you to all of you who took the time and effort to be able to make this experience a truly unforgettable event for me. I have a fantastic photo of the whole group gathered with me around my car to mark the occasion.

It's great to be a member of the North Bay Corvette Association with all of you. Life is good...

Please continue to practice safe health precautions during this time. The problem IS real.



SOCIAL REPORT

Our first social of 2021 was the drive on Saturday, January 23, 2021 up to Napa Valley, Calistoga and ending in Windsor at the Town Green. The wineries on the way were so inviting but they , of course, were closed due to COVID. What a gorgeous day it turned out to be! Is this a hit to a wonderful New Year? I hope so! We had 8 cars! Steve awarded the award plaque to our outgoing President Dan Divita and our Member of the Year plaque was awarded to Jeff Farber! Congratulations! We loved seeing Dan's new C8! Our lunches were so enjoyed at the Town Green. Just seeing each other was so uplifting!

The next social will be Saturday, February 27, 2021. Since February is the Valentine Month we shall have a small surprise for each car! A reminder with details will be sent out before the event! Mark your calendars now!

Thank you to all that joined us and I encourage more of you to attend!

Betty McKinnie

2020

North Bay Corvette Association's

Member of the year and outgoing president's in person recognition.



Jeff Farber recognized as the 2020 NBCA Member of the Year.



Dan Divita honored with a gavel for his service as out-going president.

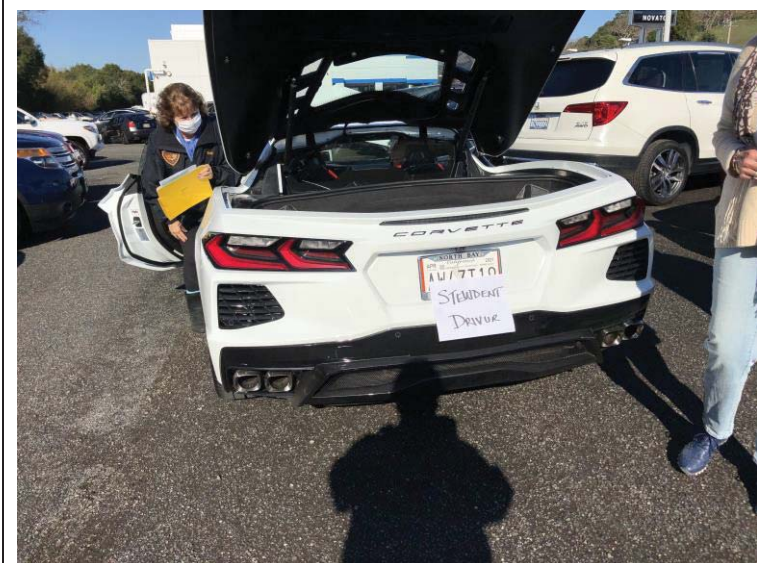
January 2021 Social Report pictures:



Meet up at Novato Chevrolet: 8 cars showed up for the social 1 C4, 2 C5's, 1 C6, 3 C7's and 1 C8.



Social distancing conversations.



A little joke played on the clubs first C8 owner, Dan.



The Drivers meeting and presentation.



The line of Corvettes waiting for all to catch up.



The potty stop in Calistoga.



Stretching the legs in Calistoga.



Picnic in the park at Winsor Green.



More picnics



As mentioned at a previous time here is another isolation recipe that did an excellent job of satisfying the desire for Chinese food. One of my all-time favorites is Mongolian Beef. It is a relatively simple recipe and is referred to as 30 Minute Mongolian Beef. This recipe can easily be cut in half for just two people. Enjoy!

30 Minute Mongolian Beef

1 lb. Flank Steak	1/2 cup Water
1/3 cup+2Tbl Vegetable Oil	2/3 cup Brown Sugar (lightly packed)
1 Tbl Garlic (Minced)	1/4 cup Corn Starch
1/2 tsp Ginger (fresh & Minced)	3 Scallions (sliced 1 in. green parts only)
1/2 cup Soy Sauce (low sodium)	

Sauce: Heat 2 Tbl in small sauce pan (med-low heat). Add Garlic & Ginger. Saute till golden brown aprox. 2min. Add Soy Sauce and water to combine. Stir in Brown Sugar increase heat to Med. Bring to boil for 3min. then remove from heat and set aside.

Meat: Slice flank steak against grain into 1/4 in. pieces then toss with cornstarch. Place coated pieces in a sieve shake off excess cornstarch. Allow steak to sit for 10min. Line a plate with paper towels.

Cook: Place large skillet or wok over Med-High heat add 1/3cup Veg. oil. Once oil is hot (not smoking, add beef and saute to seared on both sides but barely cooked in the center about 2min. Cook in single layer in pan and repeat till all meat is cooked. Remove with slotted spoon onto towel lined plate and remove oil from pan.

Put back on Med heat add sauce (should come to boil immediately) add steak cook to a boil, stir to consistency of syrup 3-5min add scallions stir and serve. (online recipe)

Meeting Location

MEETING IS ON

Your meeting will be held in the Hill Community Room. This room is at the Margaret Todd Senior Center.

Hill Community Room
1560 Hill Road
Novato, CA 94947

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NBCA MONTHLY MEETING

LIVE

FROM 7:00pm - 8:00pm

**10TH
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Join us for the February North Bay Corvettes Association General Membership Meeting on February 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm. Check your email for your Zoom link.



2021 CORVETTE STINGRAY

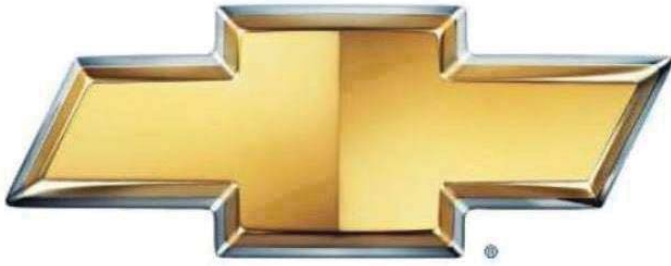
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Offer expires February 28, 2021

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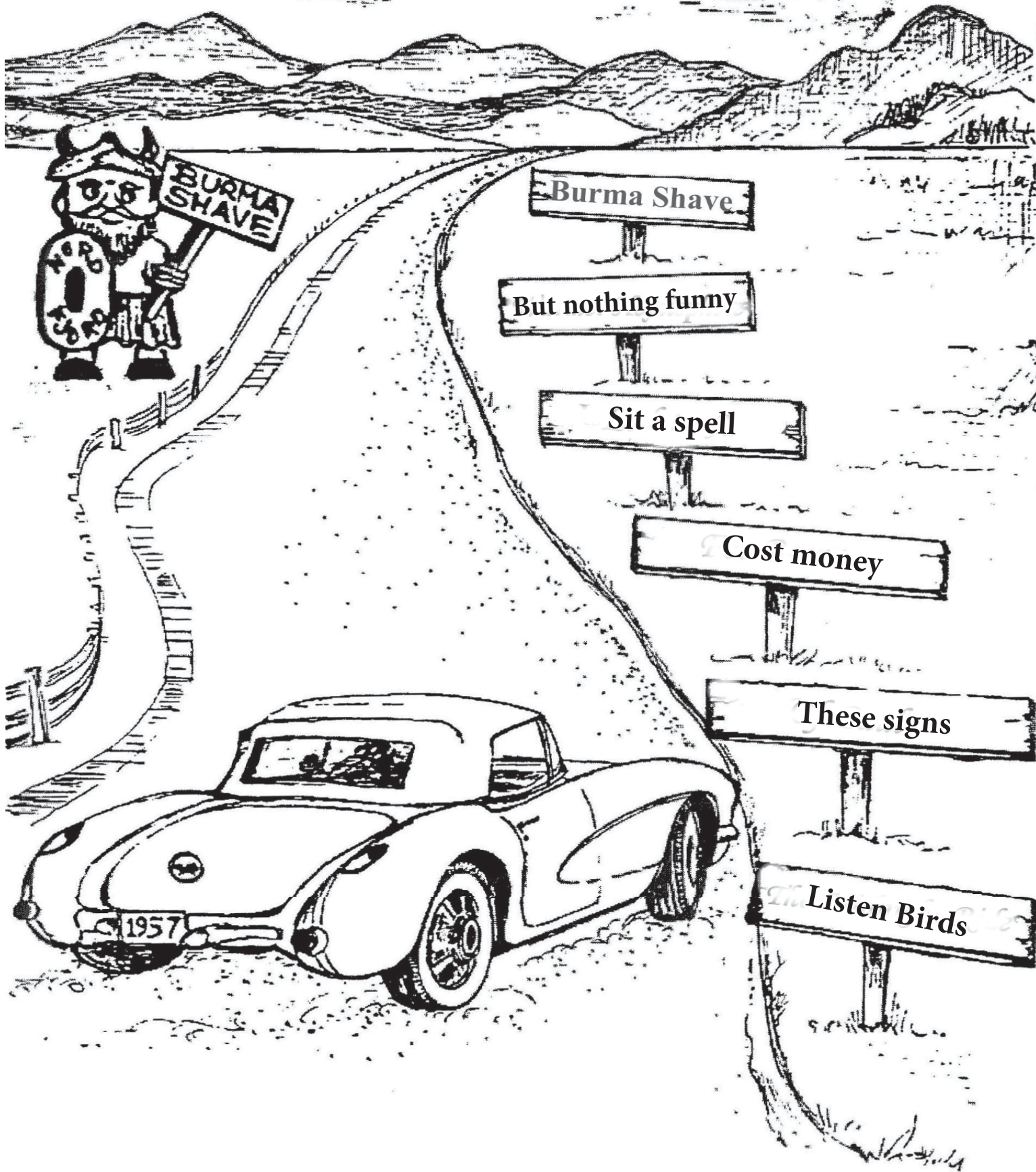
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